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THE FABLE OF
THE ENCHANTED FIDDLE

Farmer Al. Falfa is a firm believer in "safety first". So, he dons a football players' suit and headgear before he attempts to handle Dick, his mischievous Donkey. But Dick is determined not to go into the barn and Al's efforts come to naught. Instead, Dick kicks his master out of sight, "hee-haws", and then runs over the hill. The Farmer lands in a tub of water which in no measure cools his feelings. He goes to the pig-pen to catch some little porkers that have escaped through a hole in the fence. As soon as he gets one pig in another runs out. Vexed to the utmost, Al. Walks away. Now, meanwhile, Henry Cat plays upon his enchanted fiddle as he hunts mice. When the rodents come out of their holes to dance, Henry stuns them with his bow. Then, he places the mice in his purse. Rodent currency is the vogue in this domain and Henry gladly gives Willie Wolf five mice nickles in exchange for a rat quarter. When Henry procures a piece of chewing gum by placing a mouse in a slot machine, he gets an idea. He plays his enchanted fiddle and immediately all the mice in the money box follow him. As Henry entices the mice into his safe, Farmer Al. Falfa comes into sight. The Agrarian sees the efficiency of the fiddle as an animal enticer. He seizes the fiddle and kicks Henry away. The enraged feline follows Al to the pig-pen where the "old boy" fiddles his pigs back to the pen. Even Dick Donkey on the hill top is lured to the barn yard by the enchanted strains. The erstwhile stubborn beast dances right into the barn. This feat accomplished, Al decides to go hunting. He attracts many birds by his music but the little high-flyers evade him when he places his finger upon the trigger. Of course, Henry is amused at Al's failure to catch any birds. The Farmer's temper gets the better of him and he chases the cat down the road and into the barn yard. Henry jumps around playfully until Al's back is in line with Dick Donkey's feet before the barn-doorway. Suddenly the Donkey kicks Farmer Al. Falfa out of sight. Thus Henry Cat gets his revenge for the vicious kick Al gave him. The trick used by the Farmer has been used upon himself by the Cat with the help of the Donkey.

Moral: "It is a poor Rule that won't work both ways".

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